



ALL
SAINTS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who struggle and desire hope;
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
To whomever will come—*

*All Saints Presbyterian Church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.*

Looking Ahead

TODAY – September 13

9AM at Christ Community Church in Franklin and via live stream
Corporate Worship

6PM via live stream
Sunday School

September 16

6:30PM at Granny White Park Pavilion
Midweek Prayer and Devotional

September 20

9AM at Christ Community Church in Franklin and via live stream
Corporate Worship

6PM via live stream
Sunday School

Announcements

September Missions Prayer: Please pray for our presbytery's Reformed University Fellowship ministries. RUF is the campus ministry of the PCA. We have six campuses in our presbytery: Vanderbilt, Belmont, Middle Tennessee State, Tennessee Tech, Western Kentucky, and Austin Peay. To learn more about these ministries and how you can pray for them and otherwise support them, visit the missions page of our website (www.allsaintspres.net/missions-and-evangelism).

Members of the Week: Travis and Beth Dunlap; Will and Andrew

Sunday School: Please join us for Sunday School tonight at 6PM on Zoom. We will continue in our Psalm study with Psalm 48.

Midweek Prayer: Please join us at Granny White Park Pavilion this Wednesday, September 16, at 6:30PM for a time of prayer and a brief devotional. There will be adults available to keep an eye on our children on the playground during the meeting. We will send a text reminder Wednesday afternoon.

All Saints Field Day: The Events Committee has planned a day of fun and fellowship for our church family at Edwin Warner Park on October 24 at 10am. More details can be found on the events page of our website, and feel free to reach out to Kate Stuart if you have questions.

Family Worship Resources: You can find our current family worship guide and many other resources to help you with family worship under the worship menu on our website.

Support: All Saints is a registered 501(c)3 and all donations are tax deductible. Please consider giving to support the work we're doing to bring the gospel to Brentwood! You can contribute by mail (101 Creekside Crossing, STE 1700, PMB 212, Brentwood TN 37027) or electronically on our secure website. Thank you!

THE ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Morning, September 13, 2020

9:00 a.m.



Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

*Call to Worship. Psalm 92:1-4

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,
to the music of the lute and the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.
For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

The Psalm. Psalm 44

Minster: Salvation belongs to the LORD;
People: Your blessing be on your people!

*Hymn of Praise. Trinity Hymnal, 7

From All That Dwell below the Skies

1. From all that dwell be - low the skies let the Cre -
 2. In ev - ery land be - gin the song; to ev - ery
 3. E - ter - nal are your mer - cies, Lord; e - ter - nal

a - tor's praise a - rise; let the Re - deem - er's name be
 land the strains be - long. In cheer - ful sound all voic - es
 truth at - tends your word. Your praise shall sound from shore to

sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue.
 raise and fill the world with joy - ful praise.
 shore till suns shall rise and set no more.

Based on Psalm 117
 Isaac Watts, 1719; mod.

DUKE STREET L.M.
 John Hatton, 1793

*Prayer of Invocation

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson Esther 4
(see page 10)

Minster: This is the Word of the LORD
People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin adapted from Psalm 38

O LORD, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath! For your arrows have sunk into me, and your hand has come down on me. There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me. I am feeble and crushed; I groan because of the tumult of my heart. I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin. Do not forsake me, O LORD! O my God, be not far from me! Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation! *Amen.*

Meditation

Here we pause in silence to meditate upon our sin and need for forgiveness.

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 119:49–50

Remember your word to your servant, in which you have made me hope. This is my comfort in my affliction, that your promise gives me life.

*Hymn of Patience in Suffering Trinity Hymnal, 689

Be Still, My Soul

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
 2. Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take
 3. Be still, my soul: when dear - est friends de - part,
 4. Be still, my soul: the hour is has - t'ning on

bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain; leave to your
 to guide the fu - ture as he has the past. Your hope, your
 and all is dark - ened in the vale of tears, then shall you
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord, when dis - ap -

God to or - der and pro - vide; in ev - 'ry change he
 con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake; all now mys - te - rious
 bet - ter know his love, his heart, who comes to soothe your
 point - ment, grief, and fear are gone, sor - row for - got, love's

faith - ful will re - main. Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'n - ly
 shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still
 sor - row and your fears. Be still, my soul: your Je - sus can re -
 pur - est joys re - stored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are

Friend through thorn- y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
 know his voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
 pay from his own full - ness all he takes a - way.
 past, all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Katharina von Schlegel, 1752
 Tr. by Jane Borthwick, 1855; alt. 1990, mod.
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 Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr.

GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Prayer for Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson Matthew 11:1–19
(see page 11)

Preaching of the Word Rev. Matthew Bradley
Doubt and the Christian Life

Prayer of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. *Amen.*

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

The Lord's Supper

We use wine in the observance of the Lord's Supper as well as gluten-free bread.

*Doxology Trinity Hymnal, 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT WITH HIS BLESSING

*Psalm of God's Care Book of Psalms for Worship, 121B

Psalm 121

1 I lift my eyes and see the hills; From where will come my aid?
 2 He'll not allow your foot to slip, Nor rest while you He keeps.
 3 The LORD will keep you, He's your shade; The Lord stands at your right.
 4 The LORD will keep you from all harm; He'll keep your life secure.

My help comes only from the LORD Who heav'n and earth has made.
 The One pre-serv-ing Is-ra-el, He slum-bers not, nor sleeps.
 The sun will do no harm to you, Nor will the moon at night.
 Your go-ing out and com-ing in The LORD keeps ev-er-more.

Tune: ST. COLUMBA, C.M., Old Irish hymn melody

*Benediction 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word. *Amen.*

Postlude

First Scripture Lesson

When Mordecai learned all that had been done, Mordecai tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and he cried out with a loud and bitter cry. ² He went up to the entrance of the king's gate, for no one was allowed to enter the king's gate clothed in sackcloth. ³ And in every province, wherever the king's command and his decree reached, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting and weeping and lamenting, and many of them lay in sackcloth and ashes.

⁴ When Esther's young women and her eunuchs came and told her, the queen was deeply distressed. She sent garments to clothe Mordecai, so that he might take off his sackcloth, but he would not accept them. ⁵ Then Esther called for Hathach, one of the king's eunuchs, who had been appointed to attend her, and ordered him to go to Mordecai to learn what this was and why it was. ⁶ Hathach went out to Mordecai in the open square of the city in front of the king's gate, ⁷ and Mordecai told him all that had happened to him, and the exact sum of money that Haman had promised to pay into the king's treasuries for the destruction of the Jews. ⁸ Mordecai also gave him a copy of the written decree issued in Susa for their destruction, that he might show it to Esther and explain it to her and command her to go to the king

to beg his favor and plead with him on behalf of her people. ⁹ And Hathach went and told Esther what Mordecai had said. ¹⁰ Then Esther spoke to Hathach and commanded him to go to Mordecai and say, ¹¹ "All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law—to be put to death, except the one to whom the king holds out the golden scepter so that he may live. But as for me, I have not been called to come in to the king these thirty days."

¹² And they told Mordecai what Esther had said. ¹³ Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not think to yourself that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴ For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" ¹⁵ Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶ "Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my young women will also fast as you do. Then I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish." ¹⁷ Mordecai then went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.

Esther 4, ESV

Second Scripture Lesson

When Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in their cities.

² Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?” ⁴ And Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. ⁶ And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.”

⁷ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸ What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who wear soft clothing are in kings’ houses. ⁹ What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is he of whom it is written,

“Behold, I send my messenger before
your face,
who will prepare your way before you.’

¹¹ Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. ¹² From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. ¹³ For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, ¹⁴ and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. ¹⁵ He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

¹⁶ “But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to their playmates,

¹⁷ “‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”

Matthew 11:1–19, ESV

Welcome to All Saints Presbyterian Church!

The mission of All Saints is to glorify God according to his Word by preaching the gospel to all people, equipping the saints for the work of ministry, and building up the body of Christ until the day of Christ's return.

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